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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003–04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 894

Introduced by Assembly Member Firebaugh

February 20, 2003

An act to add Section 662 to the Streets and Highways Code, relating to highways.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 894, as amended, Firebaugh. State highways: railroad bridges: graffiti removal.

Existing law provides that the Department of Transportation has full possession and control of all state highways and associated property. Existing law generally requires a permit for an encroachment on a state highway.

This bill would require the department to conduct a demonstration project relative to graffiti removal from public structures *owned by the state or a local authority that are traveled by railroads that cross state highways*. The bill would specify 2 bridges to be included in the project. The bill would require the department to meet and confer with the rail operators operating the bridges, and others deemed necessary, regarding graffiti abatement and prevention programs. *The bill would require the demonstration project to be completed on or before January 1, 2006.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 662 is added to the Streets and
2 Highways Code, to read:

3 662. (a) The department shall conduct a demonstration
4 project with railroads and other interested parties relative to
5 graffiti removal from public structures *owned by the state or a*
6 *local authority that are* traveled by railroads that cross state
7 highways.

8 (b) The demonstration project shall include, but shall not be
9 limited to, the following structures:

10 (1) California Department of Transportation Bridge #53-832.

11 (2) California Department of Transportation Bridge #53-838.

12 (c) As part of the demonstration project, the department shall,
13 for purposes of developing a model for other graffiti abatement
14 and prevention programs involving similar ~~public~~ *publicly owned*
15 structures, meet and confer with the rail operator operating on the
16 bridge, and others as deemed necessary by the department,
17 regarding the following matters:

18 (1) The use of graffiti resistant paint, including, but not limited
19 to, painting an ivy mural.

20 (2) New paint technology incorporating sensors and alarms.

21 (3) The use of toll-free telephone numbers coupled with
22 rewards for information leading to the conviction of those
23 responsible for graffiti.

24 (4) To establish terms and conditions for entry on the railroad
25 right-of-way.

26 (5) Other matters related to safety during graffiti removal and
27 repainting.

28 (d) *The demonstration project shall be completed on or before*
29 *January 1, 2006.*

